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solvent, wherein the solidifying agent is selected from the group consisting of at least one long chain fatty alcohol having at least 15 carbon atoms in its carbon backbone and at least one fatty acid, having at least 18 carbon atoms in its carbon backbone and further wherein said solidifying agent includes a substance selected such that under ambient conditions, the carrier is semi-solid at rest and liquefies upon its application of shear forces thereto.

- 26. (thrice amended) A solid-free, oleaginous pharmaceutical or cosmetic composition comprising, by weight, 1-25 percent of a solidifying agent and 75-99 percent of a hydrophobic solvent, wherein at least one of said solidifying agent and said hydrophobic solvent has a therapeutic or cosmetic beneficial effect, wherein said solidifying agent is selected from the group consisting of at least one long chain fatty acid, having at least 15 carbon atoms in its carbon backbone and at least one fatty acid, having at least 18 carbons in its carbon backbone and further wherein said solidifying agent includes a substance selected such that under ambient conditions, the carrier is semi-solid at rest and liquefies upon application of shear forces thereto.
 - 37. (thrice amended) A pharmaceutical or cosmetic composition comprising:
- (a) a solid-free oleaginous pharmaceutical or cosmetic carrier containing, by weight, 1-25 percent of a solidifying agent and 75-99 percent of a hydrophobic solvent; and
- (b) a therapeutically or cosmetically effective amount of a biologically active substance; wherein said solidifying agent is selected from the group consisting of at least one long chain fatty acid, having at least 15 carbon atoms in its carbon backbone and at least one fatty acid, having at least 18 carbons in its carbon backbone and further wherein said solidifying agent includes a substance selected such that under ambient conditions, the carrier is semi-solid at rest and liquefies upon application of shear force thereto.